Press Advisory

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The Board of Directors of Cleveland Mediation Center is pleased to announce the appointment of Kathleen Jackson as its next Executive Director, effective May 27, 2014.

Founded in 1981, Cleveland Mediation Center (CMC) promotes just and peaceful community in Northeast Ohio by honoring all people, building their capacity to act, and facilitating opportunities for them to engage in conflict constructively.

Kathleen Jackson comes to Cleveland Mediation Center from Senior Citizen Resources, Inc. in the Old Brooklyn neighborhood of Cleveland where she has been serving as the Executive Director. SCR



advocates for seniors to continue to live independently as well as coordinating and providing an assortment of services to assist seniors. Kathleen holds an M.A. degree from Kent State University in Liberal Studies with concentrations in Nonprofit Management, Conflict Management, and Ecovillage Development. She also has a BA degree in Applied Conflict Management from KSU. Kathleen is passionate about improving the lives of her fellow citizens. She reports that she is honored to be a part of CMC's long history of creative conflict resolution programming for the people of NE Ohio, and is

excited to work with the many talented staff of Cleveland Mediation Center. Kathleen and her family live in the Old Brooklyn neighborhood.

Jennifer Peyton, LLC, the President of the CMC Board of Directors, said "After a national search, we are confident that we have found the right person to lead CMC into its next chapter. Kathleen Jackson brings training and expertise in non-profit management as well as a firm understanding of the field of conflict resolution. We are excited about the many skills and the promise that Kathleen's leadership brings to our organization."

Jackson's tenure will overlap with the last month of service for long-time CMC Executive Director **Daniel Joyce**. Dan has worked with the Center for over three decades and has successfully shepherded CMC through a number of major shifts in programming and funding. He has also represented CMC in a number of important and high-profile roles on the state, regional and national levels. Patrick Coy, Vice President of the CMC Board of Directors, said: "The board can't begin to adequately thank Dan for his decades of selfless and tireless service to the organization. We have fulfilled CMC's mandate in large part because of Dan's many skills and his dogged determination that the organization make a demonstrable difference in the lives of the people of Cleveland. We are sad to see Dan go, but we wish him the best for whatever comes next."

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